

Letter from Frances C. Richardson to Jason S. Joy, November 4, 1938

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P Twentieth Century-Fox Film Corporation STUDIOS BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA
INTER OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE ONLY DATE November 4th 19 38 TO COLONEL JOY FROM RESEARCH DEPARTMENT SUBJECT Dear Colonel Joy:

Following is a list of the American material we will need for ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL. Of course, we have some scenes of Boston streets of the period, but if someone in Boston could scout around the second hand bookstores there for a well illustrated volume that would give us more, it would be a great help.

ALL OF PERIOD 1875:

Winter street scene — Boston

Ext. Brownstone boarding house — sign on door — int., showing hall, parlor (early Victorian furnishings, with square piano), Bell's bedroom filled with electrical equipment, wires, etc.

Street sign reading: Brattle Street, Cambridge (we have some street signs)

Ext. & int. Hubbard house — hall, parlor, Mabel's bedroom, library

Int. of garret over Williams Electric Co. (we have several sketches of this already)

Ext. of shabby boarding house (Exeter Place)

Int. of an electric shop

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Calendar for June, 1875

Sales slip from Williams Electric Co.

Ext. Sanders' home at Salem — candles are in window, row on row, according to the New England Christmas custom — int., showing hall, living room with Christmas tree and packages, bedroom

Int. Hubbard's Office

Office door marked: WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO. EXECUTIVE OFFICES

Int. of Western Union Office; anteroom of office

Ext. office, on window of which is printed: New Eng. Bell Telephone Co.

Int. of office (small)

Int. of Lyceum Hall, Salem (have one or two views) 2

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of Period

Office off switchboard room

Int. N.Y. courtroom — courtroom attendants—ante-room of courthouse (we have some pictures of courtrooms of period, but if above information is available, would be great help.)

Railroad station telegraph office — Boston

Scientific apparatus: tuning forks, multiple telegraph, first telephone, acid jars, batteries, receivers, transmitters.

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Here's wishing you a pleasant trip. The Bell family should be delighted with the script. I think it's marvelous.

Frances Frances C. Richardson drawings of first instruments Wiring to